



BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002 Cameron , Louisiana [22023]

Cameron is one of 64 counties in Louisiana. It is part of the [Lake Charles, LA \(MSA\)](#). Its 2002 population of 9,735 ranked 61st in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Cameron had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$17,318. This PCPI ranked 58th in the state and was 69 percent of the state average, \$25,248, and 56 percent of the national average, \$30,821. The 2002 PCPI reflected a decrease of 6.2 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 2.1 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Cameron was \$13,268 and ranked 42nd in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.2 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Cameron had a total personal income (TPI) of \$168,587*. This TPI ranked 62nd in the state and accounted for 0.1 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Cameron was \$123,311* and ranked 61st in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected a decrease of 7.2 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 2.3 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.6 percent and for the nation was 5.2 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Cameron. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 65.7 percent of TPI (compared with 65.7 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.3 percent (compared with 21.0 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 19.0 percent (compared with 13.3 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings decreased 8.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 16.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 7.4 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 3.2 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent remained unchanged; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.9 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Cameron decreased from \$166,828* in 2001 to \$136,825* in 2002, a decrease of 18.0 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 2.9 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of \$113,222* to the 2002 estimate was 1.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.6 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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